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Revenue Department Announces Alcoholic Beverage License Renewal Schedule

ATLANTA – The Georgia Department of Revenue is reminding alcohol license holders that their renewal application must be postmarked by Nov. 1, 2005, to ensure they have a current license on Jan. 1, 2006.

“License holders must have their new license posted in their place of business by Jan. 1, 2006,” said Alcohol and Tobacco Division Director Ron Johnson. “Wholesales will be directed not to deliver any alcoholic products to businesses without a valid 2006 license beginning on Jan. 3, 2006.”

Georgia’s alcoholic beverage licenses all expire at midnight Dec. 31. There are approximately 17,400 Georgia businesses with retail or consumption on premises licenses and 953 businesses with wholesalers, manufactures, or shippers’ licenses.

“The Department will continue to check to ensure that individuals and businesses applying for alcoholic beverage licenses are in total compliance with the state’s tax statutes before issuing a license,” Johnson said.

The Revenue Department began the compliance checks during the 2004 renewal period. Since that time, the state has collected \$23.2 million from applicants who had delinquent state-tax accounts.

Individuals can renew their license online at www.dor.ga.gov and use the link to the Alcohol and Tobacco Division.

Persons with questions about alcohol license renewal should contact one the Department’s regional offices or call 404-417-4490.

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